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## The Year In Religion

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Biggest story of 1960 was the election of Senator John F. Kennedy as the first Roman Catholic President of the United States. His triumph, greeted as a sign of growing interreligious understanding in America, climaxed a campaign in which one of the paramount issues was whether a Catholic in the White House would threaten the nation's traditional policy of Church-State separation. Verdict of one Catholic authority was that U. S. Protestants had "proven palpably that anti-Catholic prejudice was anything but a major force" in their political thinking.

In settling once for all the question whether any Catholic could be chosen for the country's highest office American voters provided a bright spot in a year which saw the churches confronted with difficult situations in many areas of the world.

**Horizon Darkened**  
The religious horizon was

darkened by events in Cuba, where the Castro regime was seen threatening to become a bridgehead for Communism in the New World. Trouble brewed also in Africa, especially in the newly-independent Congo, where Christian missionaries faced sharp challenges and in the Union of South Africa, where the government's apartheid (racial segregation) policy was a matter of intensified concern to the churches. In the American South the issue of segregation versus integration also made world headlines with "sit-ins" at lunch counters and "kneel-ins" at Protestant churches providing new strategies in the Negro's struggle for full recognition.

Other causes of concern in religious circles were stepped-up anti-religious propaganda in the Communist countries, new anti-religious policies in East Germany and Poland; and developments adversely affecting Protestant and Catholic churches.

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## Foundation To Aid Churches, Students

ATLANTA — (BP) — A foundation which will aid ministerial students and build new Baptist churches and missions has been established by a Charlotte, N. C. couple.

Properties valued at \$216,783.23 were conveyed to the P.

## Tobacco Gets Twice The Money Churches Receive

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Americans spent approximately twice as much on smoking in 1960 as they gave to their churches.

This was reported by the Tobacco Institute, a private organization of tobacco growers and manufacturers.

The institute estimated American expenditure for cigarettes alone, at \$6,600,000,000 in 1960, up about \$500,000,000 over 1959.

Citing Department of Agriculture statistics, the Tobacco Institute said that average per capita consumption of cigarettes this year was 3,940 per adult or 197 packs of 20 cigarettes each, an increase of 3 1/2 per cent more than in 1955.

Use of cigars and cigarillos also increased 2 1/2 per cent, it was reported, while use of smoking tobacco amounted to 73,000,000 pounds, about the same as 1959. Use of chewing tobacco continued a long-time decline, dropping to about 65,000,000 pounds. But use of snuff, however, increased more than a million pounds to reach 35,500,000 pounds.

## Los Angeles Area Has New Workers

LOS ANGELES — (BP) — New superintendents of Southern Baptist associational missions have been chosen for this vast metropolitan area.

They were elected by directors of the Southern Baptist General Convention of California. A mission program formerly operated jointly by five associations of churches is being divided so there is a missionary for each association.

C. Rodwell Foundation, Inc., established by Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Rodwell. The property includes a motel and real estate to be sold and re-invested. Rodwell, a Baptist deacon for 45 years, is engaged in real estate and construction business.

An annual income of \$20,000 from the Foundation is anticipated, the potential of aiding 12 to 20 ministerial students and starting on or two new churches each year, according to Dr. C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C. Warren is director of Southern Baptists' movement to establish 30,000 new missions and churches by 1964.

**Through Mission Grants**  
Funds for students will be handled through mission grant programs of the six Southern Baptist theological seminaries.

Church funds will go through the denomination's Home Mission Board and be subsidized by church loan funds of the mission board and states of the Southern Baptist Convention.

"In this day, when countless 'isms' are bidding for the minds of men the wisest investment anyone can make is in aiding God-called ministers in their preparation to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ which is the hope of the world," Rodwell said.

## LEARNED MAN SETS EXAMPLE

Erwin A. Summers takes his church work seriously. Long time treasurer at the Learned Baptist Church, Mr. Summers also rings the bell each Sunday to announce time for worship services according to a story in the daily press.

On Christmas Day he showed up at the appointed time, rang the bell and awaited fellow worshippers.

None came. He proceeded to sing the opening song gave the morning prayer, took up collections, taught the Sunday School lesson, sang the closing song, quietly closed the church door and went home.

## A PROCLAMATION FOR 1961 The Year of Stewardship and Enlistment

WHEREAS seven Baptist conventions have covenanted to participate in the Baptist Jubilee Advance in recognition of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of organized Baptist mission work in North America, and

WHEREAS these Baptist bodies have agreed to major on one common objective for each year during the Baptist Jubilee Advance, namely, 1959-1964, and

WHEREAS significant achievements have resulted from the 1959 emphasis on Cooperative Witness, and from the 1960 emphasis on Teaching and Training,

WE THEREFORE PROCLAIM 1961 AS THE YEAR OF STEWARDSHIP AND ENLISTMENT, the theme for which shall be:

"I Will be Faithful"  
And the purpose for which shall be:  
"To seek to lead every Baptist to a new and deeper understanding of and commitment of Christian stewardship"  
And the Scripture for which shall be:  
"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful" (1 Corinthians 4:2).

WE MUTUALLY AGREE that Christian stewardship includes the management of the total resources, both personal and material, with which men are entrusted by God, and that each participating convention will work out its own objectives and methods for impressing this ideal on the minds and hearts of its constituency.

WE FURTHER RECOGNIZE the significance of numerical goals in leading men and women, boys and girls, to be better stewards of their material wealth, while acknowledging the fact that the giving of money and building of budgets is no substitute for the total personality dedicated to God's service and consecrated to the task of making a Christian impact on every area of community, national, and world life.

MOREOVER WE JOIN IN AFFIRMING our conviction that stewardship can only be interpreted in the light of its spiritual nature, and that it is never to be construed as man's plan for raising money, but God's plan for rearing his children.

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## GULFSHORE TO SERVE AS HOST Evangelism Meet Set

"Building An Evangelistic Church" will be the theme for the annual State Evangelistic Conference scheduled to be held Feb. 6-8 for the first time at Gulfshore Assembly at Pass Christian.

Up to 1000 Mississippi pastors and other local church evangelism leaders as well as associational evangelism workers are expected to attend, according to Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary.

The two principal inspirational speakers will be Dr. Carl E. Bates, pastor of First Church, Charlotte, N. C., and Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of First Church, New Orleans.

Other out-of-state speakers will include Dr. James L. Sullivan, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and Howard B. Foshee, Editor of Church Administration, Sunday School Board, Nashville, and Dr. Vernon Yearby, Dallas, Associate, Division of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dallas.

**Begins Monday Evening**  
The annual conference will begin at 7:00 p.m. Monday and adjourn at Noon Wednesday. Leading the music will be W. C. Morgan, state music director, with Arthur L. Nelson, Jackson, at the organ.

Assisting Mr. Sansing in directing the conference will be Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer. The Mississippi Baptist baptism goal for 1961 is 20,300 compared to the 18,557 baptized in 1951. Figures for 1960 are not yet available.

**State Leaders**  
State leaders to appear on program will be Rev. Damon

Vaughn, Laurel; Rev. Bill Causey, Meridian; Rev. Russell McIntire, Clinton; Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Hattiesburg; Dr. Robert L. Hamblin, Tupelo, and Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., Columbia dentist.

The program will feature inspirational messages and emphasis on the Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism.

## Kendall Berry, Blytheville, Ark., Layman Chairman, SBC Exec. Committee

During 1960 many Southern Baptist leaders have been unusually concerned about the diminishing increase of gifts through the Cooperative Program even though designated gifts have continued to increase at about the same, or to an even greater, percentage that has been experienced throughout our Convention for a number of years.

Now we all know that various approaches may be taken, and charts may lead us one way or another, depending upon how much emphasis we place in the numerous figures

that we employ in our graphs.

The old adage that "figures don't lie" is still as true as ever; but, in like manner, we may be prone to become discouraged too quickly if we only study one side of our multifaceted denominational work now carried on by people called Southern Baptists.

The same God, who has allowed us to grow so much and make such progress in the past few years, is still on his throne, directing every turn of the universe and every action of mankind. We, of so little faith, need to put forth greater effort in seeking God's will in our lives and in our time.

## December Gifts In Good Gain

NASHVILLE — (BP) — A peak month's receipts for the Southern Baptist Convention's share of the Cooperative Program ended the 1960 budget on a happy key.

Receipts to the SBC treasurer here for December amounted to \$1,907,826. This surpassed the previous high of \$1,680,000 received in November, 1959.

It brought the 1960 year's total receipts to \$17,479,428. While this was under the hoped-for amount, it still provided \$1,092,500 extra income for the convention's foreign and home mission boards.

The basic budget for operating and capital needs of the Convention's 20 agencies was \$16,386,900. This was met in early December. After that time, all receipts were shared exclusively by the missionary boards.

### Routh Reminds

The Foreign Mission Board received an "advance"—as this over and above is called—of \$819,375. The Home Mission Board got \$273,125. Foreign Mission leaders who all along had expected their share to top \$800,000 were proven right.

Convention Treasurer Porter Routh of Nashville reminded Southern Baptists that this was

an increase of only 2.2 per cent over Cooperative Program receipts for 1959. Even a revised (downward) estimate of 2.75 per cent set by the SBC Executive Committee was not reached, he pointed out.

"We are gratified that more than \$1 million has been made available through the advance section of the Cooperative Program for home and foreign missions," Routh said. "We hope and earnestly pray that the percentage of increase in 1961 (over 1960) will be sufficient to meet the basic budget provided through the Cooperative Program for operating and capital needs of the agencies."

There must be an increase over 1960 of more than 4 per cent to reach the basic needs and enter an advance stage this year, the treasurer noted.

Designated gifts ended the year with December receipts of \$122,647. It was too early to feel the effects of the 1960 Lotte Moon Christmas offering for Foreign Missions, which is counted in the designated gifts column.

### Shared By States

The total in designated gifts for 1960 reached \$11,489,938; up 10.76 per cent over the 1959 (Continued on Page 2)

## St. Louis Hospital Rejects Demands

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (RNS)—Baptist Memorial Hospital here, engaged in a \$3,000,000 fund-raising campaign for a new unit in St. Louis County, has rejected the demand of the Missouri Baptist Convention that it decline a \$662,351 grant in federal funds and a \$30,000 pledge from Anheuser-Busch Foundation, which is supported by a brewery.

The convention's Executive Board has stated that unless the hospital refuses to accept

these gifts and agrees to "become a member of the Missouri Baptist Convention family of institutions," the state Baptists would sever all relations with the hospital.

### Pillsbury Explains

The convention represents 1,771 Baptist churches with a total membership of 443,168.

Joyce S. Pillsbury, president of the hospital, explained: "Under our charter and bylaws, it would be impossible for us to turn over control of the hospital to the Missouri Baptist Convention."

The hospital is a community, as well as a Baptist institution," Mr. Pillsbury said, and appreciates support from non-Baptist sources.

Mr. Pillsbury is a member of Third Baptist church, largest congregation of the denomination in Missouri.

### Hill-Burton Program

The federal funds would go to the hospital from a foundation, which received the grant under the Hill-Burton program. The convention's Executive Board said that acceptance of the federal funds was "in compliance with the Hill-Burton Act" (Continued on Page 6)

## GRAHAM SETS 1961 CRUSADES

LOS ANGELES (RNS) — All officers of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, headed by Dr. Billy Graham, president, were re-elected by the association's 21-member board here.

They include George M. Wilson, Minneapolis, secretary-treasurer, and Leighton Ford, Charlotte, N. C., vice-president.

Crusades were set up for 1961 in Miami Beach, Fla.; Manchester, England; Philadelphia, Pa., and Minneapolis, Minn.

## 1961's Greatest Challenge

Baptists have truly been favored during the past several decades, for which we should be most thankful. It is no time for us to think of ourselves as something special, or even as being favored over any other group; but rather a time when we need to get back to that old time zeal for winning lost men to our Saviour, forgetting the frills, comforts, or even the esteem with which we hope our fellow man holds us.

Of course, that does not mean that we as Baptists should not be honorable, upright, and cooperative with others in seeking to do good on this earth. It does mean, however, that the motive behind what

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## Michigan Makes Goal of Having 100 Churches

DETROIT—(BP)—Southern Baptists in Michigan have reached a long-awaited goal. The 100th affiliated church in the state has been organized.

Located in the eastern section of this city, New Hope Baptist Church came into being with 29 charter members and five converts awaiting baptism who will be listed as charter members.

The church started out as a mission in October, 1960, with 23 members. It will continue to meet in the Odd Fellows Hall which it occupied as a mission.

The mother church, Fellowship of Detroit, had used the lodge hall as its meeting place before Fellowship Church bought a building several miles away.

Fred D. Hubbs of Detroit, executive secretary of Baptist State Convention of Michigan, said Southern Baptists started out in 1951 with six churches in Michigan, sponsored by another state convention. When the separate Michigan convention began work in 1957, there were 55 churches. Hubbs predicted 200 churches by the mid-sixties.

## December Gifts

(Continued from Page 1) amount. The combined total of Cooperative Program—designations was \$28,969,366, up 3.44 per cent over the combined figure for the year before.

Cooperative Program receipts are shared in by state Baptist bodies before reaching the SBC treasurer. Approximately 35 per cent of the Cooperative Program funds contributed by churches reach the SBC. These funds are shared among agencies according to a percentage scale voted by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Designated funds, on the other hand, are given exclusively to one agency or purpose and can not be diverted to other agencies.

The 1961 SBC basic needs through the Cooperative Program are \$18,054,716. Mission leaders hope the income will exceed \$20 million in order to provide another "bonus" boost to missions through the advance stage.

## Suffering Acute

(Continued from Page 1) the Congo Protestant Relief Agency.

Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, later stated that human suffering is acute in the Congo area and expressed his appreciation of the effective work of the Congo Protestant Relief Agency in seeking to meet the need for relief and refugee aid.

Seeking Services Metzger said that the agency is seeking the services of 100 doctors and dentists and a minimum of \$550,000 for financing first year activities.

Metzger, a second generation missionary to the Congo, said that the agency was formed to meet the relief needs of the Congo Protestant Council, representing indigenous Congolese churches and 40 Protestant missions. American, British, Danish, Finnish, Norwegian and Swedish Baptist missionaries work in the area.

Congo Protestant Relief Agency has its headquarters office in Leopoldville, with branch offices in London and New York. Its workers have been able to take aid into some sections where even the United Nations has not been successful.

Most urgent need, Metzger said, is money to pay for inland transportation of foods and medicines. These materials are available through American medical firms and American government surplus, in cooperation with Church World Service, but overland transportation from port of entry costs \$80 a ton. A minimum of \$16,000 a month is necessary therefore to get 200 tons of free food monthly to the starving areas.

Congo's original 700 medical doctors, never sufficient for the vast population, has dwindled to 225 since the coming of independence. One hundred of these are Belgians, most of whom are engaged in private practice. The International Red Cross and the World Health Organization support 45, Roman

## The Year In

(Continued from Page 1) istic missionary work in the Sudan, Ceylon, Burma and Laos.

On the bright side of the ledger was the growing interest in church unity—meaning cooperation and understanding among the Churches in matters of common concern—and the steady growth of the so-called dialogue between Protestants and Catholics.

History was made in December when Dr. Geoffrey Francis Fisher became the first Anglican Archbishop of Canterbury to visit the Vatican. His meeting with Pope John XXIII was generally hailed as presaging a new era of greater Protestant-Catholic amity and understanding, although the Vatican Radio stressed the "great abyss" that still separates Rome and the Anglican Church. Another note of caution was sounded by Augustin Cardinal Bea, head of the special Vatican secretariat assigned to deal with questions of Christian unity, who rejected Anglican proposals for "a commonwealth of equal Churches."

### Progress Seen

Significant progress was seen meanwhile in the realm of church union in the United States. A milestone was reached in April with the merger of the American Lutheran Church, Evangelical Lutheran Church and United Evangelical Lutheran Church to form the American Lutheran Church, with more than 2,258,000 members. In October the United Lutheran Church approved plans for merger with the Augustana Lutheran Church, the American Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church (Suomi Synod). The new denomination will be known as the Lutheran Church in America. It will be established at a constituting convention in June, 1962, and begin functioning officially the following Jan. 1.

Other union highlights were the ratification of union of the American Unitarian Association and the Universalist Church of America at concurrent meetings of the two groups at Boston in May, and the adoption of a constitution by the three-year-old United Church of Christ at its General Synod in Cleveland in July.

The United Church was formed by merger of the Congregational Christian General Council and the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

American Protestants greeted with mixed reactions a headline-making proposal for amalgamating the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., The Protestant Episcopal Church, The Methodist Church and the United Church of Christ. The proposal, likely to be a topic of debate for a long time, was advanced by Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, stated clerk of the Presbyterian body on the eve of the triennial General Assembly of the National Council of Churches at San Francisco in December. He stressed that his plan, while related at the moment to the four bodies, looked "ultimately to the reunion of the whole of Christ's Church."

Early in the year an Air Force training manual impugning the loyalty of the NCC and some prominent Protestant clergy created a storm of controversy in religious circles. The manual, which purported to describe Communist infiltrations into U. S. church groups, was withdrawn upon vigorous protests from the National Council and others.

Among top international Protestant meetings of the year were sessions of the World Council of Churches' Central Committee at St. Andrews, Scotland, which ordered further work on a report warning that Christians themselves as well as the state must defend and uphold religious liberty.

### Debate Revived

The Central Committee revived debate among church-

Catholic missions 25, and Protestant missions 55.

CPRA hopes to augment this force with 100 doctors, 66 from American and 34 from other countries. Doctors volunteering for a year's service will be given travel expense, housing, and a living allowance of \$1500 annually.

The address of the Congo Protestant Relief Agency is 297 Park Avenue South, New York 10.



MISSISSIPPI STUDENT OFFICERS AT SOUTHERN SEMINARY—Shown above are the officers of the Mississippi Student Club at Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. Left to right, seated, Dr. E. J. Vardaman, Assistant Professor of Biblical Archaeology, group sponsor; W. D. Kirk, president, Doddsville; Carolyn Breland, secretary, Tylertown; Standing, left to right, James R. Barron, reporter, Clarksdale; William T. Crosby, athletic chairman, Crosby; John Goodwin, vice president, Utica; and Arlis C. Hinson, social chairman, Crystal Springs.

men on the propriety of admitting Red China to the United Nations by urging WCC member bodies to help create conditions which would permit the Chinese people "to share in the benefits and accept the responsibilities common to all members of the international community." It declared that certain measures, especially in relation to disarmament and nuclear weapons can be effectively applied only if the 6,500,000 people of China are "in a position to contribute to their formulation and application."

Challenges of greater urgency confronted the Churches both in Africa, where Communism saw ripe opportunities in the new independent states, and in Latin America, where Red hopes were seen buttressed by widespread poverty and unrest.

The African area of greatest concern to churchmen was the Congo, which became independent of Belgium on June 30. In the weeks immediately following independence, widespread violence and chaos forced hundreds of Protestant missionaries to evacuate the country. Smaller number of Catholic missionaries also left. However, by the end of October the Protestant force was gradually regaining its former strength and needed relief and medical supplies were pouring in from church agencies abroad. At the same time, missionary leaders reaffirmed their faith in the future of the missions. Their confidence was shared by American evangelist Billy Graham, who early in the year made a ten-week tour of African countries. He had one word of advice: turn control of the missions over to the Africans themselves.

A new phase of the long-standing battle between segregationists and integrationists in the American South began in February when Negro students, with the backing of white supporters, conducted sit-ins at lunch counters. Outbreaks of violence were punctuated by open support of the demonstrators voiced by Protestant and Catholic groups. When Negro students began staging knee-in demonstrations in white churches the following August, some Protestant leaders questioned whether this was likely to hinder rather than help promote racial integration.

Protestant interest in Latin America was shown when the World Council of Churches' Central Committee approved a long-range program of assistance to that continent as well as to Africa and Asia. Other programs involving stepped-up religious activities in Latin America were approved by the International Missionary Council's Theological Education Fund; the World's Christian Endeavor Union, which held its third Pacific Area conference at Mexico City in August; and the Tenth Baptist World Congress at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in June, which also adopted a manifest opposing state religions and calling for religious liberty everywhere.

### Groundwork Laid

With Cuba seen moving into the Red orbit, Catholic leaders laid the groundwork for a vast counter-offensive against Communism as well as the spread of materialism in Latin America.

The growing struggle be-

tween the Catholic Church and the Cuban regime of Fidel Castro was highlighted in August when the bishops issued a pastoral letter exploring the "rise of Communism" in the country and in November when Castro accused the Catholic clergy of being "counter-revolutionaries." In December, a bomb explosion at a mid-town Havana church shocked the Catholic population. Clashes between Catholics and Castro supporters occurred frequently during the year as Church organizations distributed pamphlets attacking Communism and urging the people to remain loyal to God and the Church.

Other troubles confronted the Church in Puerto Rico, Haiti, Bolivia and the Dominican Republic, all predominantly Catholic. Charges of Church "interference" in politics greeted pastoral letters in which the Puerto Rican hierarchy told Catholics they must not vote for the Popular Democratic Party of Gov. Luis Munoz Marin because of "anti-Christian and anti-Catholic" planks in its platform. Although a Vatican statement noted that for several years Puerto Rico had presented "a character of particular gravity from the religious and moral viewpoint," many American Catholics frankly deplored what they considered a lack of prudence on the bishops' part.

In La Paz, Bolivia, Leftist labor leader Irene Pimental urged the expulsion of foreign priests, some of whom are from the United States and have been helping to block Communist inroads. In the Dominican Republic, a bill was proposed in December that would legalize the expulsion of foreign priests charged with seeking to "subvert the social order of the country." The bill was introduced after the country's bishops had protested in January against a wave of arrests, charging "flagrant violations of human rights" by the dictatorship regime controlled by Generalissimo Rafael Trujillo.

### Situation Threatening

A more threatening situation confronted both Protestant and Catholic missionaries in Moslem-ruled Sudan. Church officials complained of a steady persecution which had resulted in missionaries being expelled, Christian children forced to attend Moslem religious in-

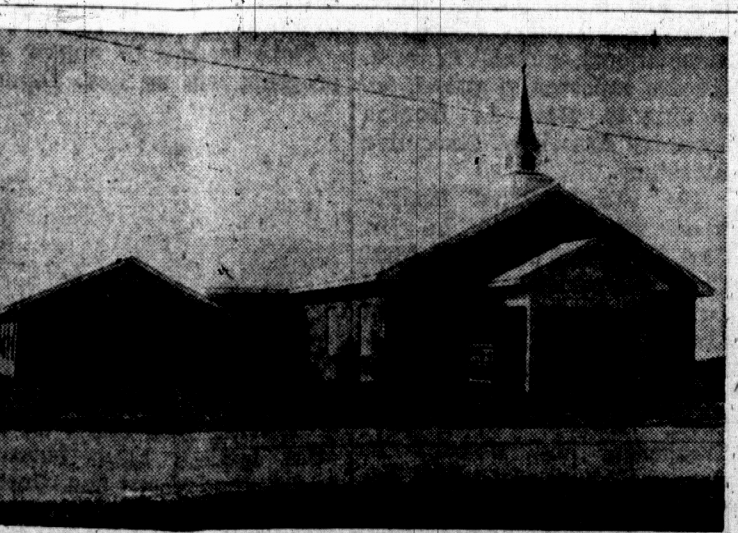
struction, and obstacles placed in the way of Christianity.

Troubles arose also in three Buddhist countries—Ceylon, Burma and Laos. In Ceylon, some 2,500 private schools, mostly Roman Catholic, were nationalized on Dec. 1, despite strong protests by the Christian community. In Burma, heated debate was provoked by plans to make Buddhism the state religion. In Laos, Protestant and Catholic missionaries faced a different threat as Communist troops waged war on the government. October saw Sam Neua, the most flourishing Catholic mission center in the country, overrun by the Communists.

Within the Communist sphere, the war against religion continued. Protestant and Catholic leaders in East Germany denounced ruthless pressures on farmers to join collective farms and intensified programs to enroll children for atheistic rites designed as Communist counterparts of Christian Confirmation. Protestant leaders, pointing to the afflictions Christians were experiencing, nevertheless appealed to them to remain in the Soviet Zone and not flee to the West. Their appeal was directed especially to pastors and professional men who were vitally needed.

In the United States, 1960 was marked by sharpened concern over the excessive preoccupation with sex in books, magazines, films and television programs. The National Legion of Decency (Catholic) charged Hollywood with "bold departures" from decency and called for "an unmistakable national protest" by the country's Catholics. The year also saw the U. S. Supreme Court agree to rule on constitutional issues involved in Sunday blue laws and Bible reading in public schools.

Statistics published in October showed church membership at a record total of 112,236,905, or 63 per cent of the estimated population of more than 178,000,000. Included in the grand total of church members were 62,543,502 Protestants, 40,871,302 Catholics, 2,807,612 Eastern Orthodox and 5,500,000 Jews. Another record reported by the American Bible Society was the distribution in 1959 of more than 29,530,000 copies of the Scriptures throughout the world.



YALE STREET CHURCH, Cleveland, in December raised \$310.00 for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. The previous high in the history of the church was \$28.00. The project was promoted through the Sunday School by the W. M. U. The names and goals of the classes were placed on a large poster in the Sanctuary. When a class reached its goal a light on the poster was turned on. The first class to reach its goal was the Young Men's Bible class. Beside a series of messages on missions by the pastor, a film was shown, and the bulletin each week contained mission stories and emphasis. The project was concluded on December 18 with a Mission Program. Rev. Paul Wilson is the pastor.

## Counseling Guidance Institute Set At MC

Mississippi College has accepted an offer from the United States Office of Education to conduct a Counseling and Guidance Training Institute during the summer of 1961.

The authorization, which is set up by Title V(B) of National Defense Education Act of 1958, will cover an expenditure of approximately \$30,000 for the institute. Mississippi College is one of eighty-two institutions in the nation selected to offer

this specialized training for personnel engaged in counseling and guiding students in secondary schools.

Purpose of the Institute will be to improve the competencies of counselors in the central Mississippi area in various phases of their work, including ability to identify differential talents of gifted students; learning new methods of counseling these students; and administrative procedures in integrating the program for gifted students into the total guidance program.

### Provide Training

The six-weeks Institute will provide specialized training for thirty school counselors who will be counselors in the public schools during the 1961-62 session. These counselors have received a counselor's certificate or have completed a minimum of twelve hours of graduate work in required guidance courses toward a certificate. Each participant will receive a stipend of \$75.00 per week for each dependent.

The Summer Institute will be directed by Dr. Charles W. Scott, Dean of Students and Counselor Educator at Mississippi College.

The faculty of the Institute will include several professors from Mississippi College, some specialists in the field of working with gifted students from educational agencies in Jackson, and outstanding out-of-state counselor educators.

### For so great a program?

Let's put first things FIRST, and other things will fall in place if we but place our faith in the Redeemer we preach to others. It's time to practice what we preach; it's time for action. This is our day. If we do not take up the banner and go forward, God will necessarily have to extend the challenge to others, and we of all people will be most miserable should we fail NOW!

### Asks Complete Submission

No, the greatest problem facing Baptists, as well as all Christians, is not less revenues than we had anticipated. The greatest thing in any human being's life is, today as always, what are we doing with Christ? Complete submission to the will of God will solve all the ills of mankind today, individually or collectively. You may say, but we can't reach all men in so short a time. Maybe not and maybe so, but those we do reach, even ourselves, will rise up and call us blessed in eternity.

Christ is truly the answer to the world situation; but, more important, he is the answer to our needs as individuals. Let's start with our own lives with a sincere and more consecrated devotion of God and full attempt to finding his will for each of us as we go about our daily tasks. It could be the beginning of a complete change in world tensions, and more assuredly our own.

This is not an appeal to sinners, but rather a re-evaluation of each of us as Christians. If every Southern Baptist would but adopt this idea, this whole world could and would be turned upside down for Christ. Will you do your part?

According to Herrell Degraff, professor of the Graduate School of Nutrition, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, the typical family of the world spends 60 per cent of its productive efforts for food.

A tobacco industry publication has revealed that Americans are putting well over a billion dollars into coin-operated machines to buy cigarettes and cigars.

The Federal budget was \$3 billion in 1930; \$9 billion in 1940; \$40 billion in 1950; and \$80 billion in 1960. At this rate of increase, it could be \$160 billion by 1970.

The National Association of Alcoholic Beverage Importers, Inc. has reported that the consumption of almost all categories of alcoholic beverages increased considerably during the first eight months of this year.



Nolan C. Johnston

## Joins Sta Main S

Nolan C. Johnston, minister of education, Asheboro Street Church, Greensboro, N. C.) and his wife, Mrs. Johnston, were welcomed at a formal reception Sunday afternoon, December 18, at Main Church, Hattiesburg.

Mrs. Luther N. Davis, U. president, was in charge of the reception. Received by Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor, Minister of music, and Mrs. Barnes; Blake Cress, chairman, and Mrs. Cress.

Mr. Johnston, a native of Comb, is a graduate of Mississippi College, and of Southern Seminary. He served as minister of education at Memorial Church, Charleston, before coming to Hattiesburg.

Mrs. Johnston, the Edith Terrell, is also a native of Comb. The Johnston family has two children, Jan. 7, and

## Daniel, Cal

## Amory Pla

## Top Twenty

During the period, October 1959-September 25, 1960, Mississippi churches among the high 25 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention in presenting awards in Category 7 of the Church Course for Teaching and Training.

In all of the Southern Baptist Convention, Daniel Amory Place, Jackson, seventh, with 419 awards; First Church, Jackson, twelfth, with 336 awards; First Church, Amory, first, with 335 awards.

Among the association Southern Baptist Convention Hinds Association, Mississippi was eleventh among the 25. In Hinds County, awards were presented in Category 17.

In the state of Mississippi, Hinds County led the list, and Daniel Amory Place, Jackson, led the list in the number of awards.

## Cooper R

## Dies At Wig

Cooper D. Rouse died evening of December 2, a valued member of First Church, Wiggins, Rouse served several years an efficient lay leader of the Men's Bible Class.

That class has adopted resolutions expressing their love in the loss of their teacher expressing sympathy to his family.

H. V. Redfield, R. J. Sr., and M. C. Mayor served the Resolutions Committee. U. Karl Perego is pastor at Wiggins.

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## 2nd Anniver

Sunday, December 18, marked the beginning of the year of the pastorate of John L. Cook, Jr. at South Church in Columbus. Morning worship service Brotherhood, in behalf of church, presented the observance of the second anniversary of his pastorate.



# Guidance Set At M

this specialized training for personnel engaged in counseling and guiding students in secondary schools.

Purpose of the Institute is to improve the competence of counselors in the central Mississippi area in various phases of their work, including as to identify differential talents, gifted students; learning methods of counseling students; and administrative procedures in integrating program for gifted students; the total guidance program.

**Provide Training:** The six-weeks Institute provide specialized training for thirty school counselors who will be counselors in the public schools during the session. These counselors received a counselor's certificate or have completed a minimum of twelve hours of graduate work in required graduate courses toward a certificate. Each participant will receive stipend of \$75.00 per week each dependent.

The Summer Institute is directed by Dr. Charles Scott, Dean of Students, Counselor Educator at Mississippi College.

The faculty of the Institute will include several professors from Mississippi College, specialists in the field of working with gifted students, educational agencies in Jackson and outstanding outside counselor educators.

for so great a program? Let's put first things first and other things will place if we but place our in the Redeemer we prefer others. It's time to do what we preach; it's time action. This is our day, do not take up the banner go forward, God will necessarily have to extend the chair to others, and we of all will be most miserable if we fail NOW!

**Asks Complete Submission:** No, the greatest problem facing Baptists, as well as Christians, is not less religion than we had anticipated. The greatest thing in any human life is, today as ever, what are we doing with Christ. Complete submission to the will of God will solve all the problems of mankind today, individually and collectively. You may say we can't reach all men in a short time. Maybe not, maybe so, but those we reach, even ourselves, will be up and tall as blessed in eternity.

Christ is truly the answer to the world situation; but, important, he is the answer to our needs as individuals. Let's start with our own lives. Be sincere and more consistent devotion to God and attempt to finding his will in each of us as we go about daily tasks. It could be the beginning of a complete revolution in world tensions, and we surely our own.

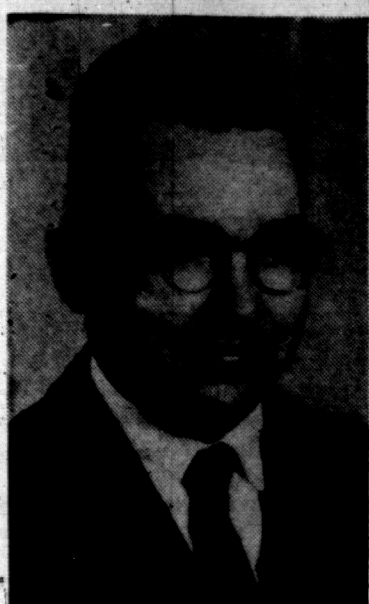
This is not an appeal of others, but rather a re-awakening of each of us as Christians. Every Southern Baptist who adopt this idea, this world could and would be turned upside down for Christ, you do your part?

According to Herrell, Dean of the School of Nutrition, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, the typical family of the 1960s spends 60 per cent of its budget on food.

A tobacco industry publication has revealed that Americans are putting well over a billion dollars into coin-operated machines to buy cigars and cigars.

The Federal budget was \$100 billion in 1930; \$90 billion in 1940; \$140 billion in 1950; \$200 billion in 1960. At this rate of increase, it could be \$300 billion by 1970.

The National Association of Alcoholic Beverage Importers has reported that the consumption of alcoholic beverages increased considerably in the first eight months of the year.



Nolan C. Johnston

## Joins Staff At Main Street

Nolan C. Johnston (formerly minister of education of the Asheboro Street Church, Greensboro, N. C.) and his family were welcomed at an informal reception Sunday night, December 18, at Main Street Church, Hattiesburg.

Mrs. Luther N. Davis, W. M. U. president, was in charge of the reception. Receiving with Mr. and Mrs. Johnston were Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor; and Mrs. Barnes; Dr. Justin Walters, minister of music, and Mrs. Walters; and Blake Cress, deacon chairman, and Mrs. Cress.

Mr. Johnston, a native of Mississippi, is a graduate of Mississippi College, and of Southwestern Seminary. He served as minister of education at Green Memorial Church, Charlotte, N. C. before going to Greensboro.

Mrs. Johnston, the former Edith Terrell, is also a native of Mississippi. The Johnstons have two children, Jan. 7, and Jim, 2.

## Daniel, Calvary Amory Place In Top Twenty-Five

During the period, October 1, 1959-September 25, 1960, three Mississippi churches were among the high 25 churches of the Southern Baptist Convention in presenting awards in Category 3 of the Church Study Course for Teaching and Training.

In all of the Southern Baptist Convention, Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson, ranked seventh, with 419 awards; Calvary Church, Jackson, fourth, with 336 awards; and First Church, Amory, fifteenth, with 335 awards.

Among the associations of the Southern Baptist Convention, Hinds Association, Mississippi was eleventh among the high 25. In Hinds County, 2,706 awards were presented in Category 17.

In the state of Mississippi, Hinds County led the associations, and Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson, led the churches, in the number of these awards.

## Cooper Rouse Dies At Wiggins

Cooper D. Rouse died on the evening of December 2, 1960. A valued member of First Baptist Church, Wiggins, Rouse was for several years an efficient and loyal teacher of the Men's Adult Bible Class.

That class has adopted resolutions expressing their sorrow in the loss of their teacher and expressing sympathy to his family.

H. V. Redfield, R. J. Watts, Sr., and M. C. Mayor served on the Resolutions Committee. Dr. U. Karl Perego is pastor at First, Wiggins.

## Cook Receives Watch On 2nd Anniversary

Sunday, December 18, marked the beginning of the third year of the pastorate of Rev. John L. Cook, Jr. at Southside Church in Columbus. At the morning worship service the Brotherhood, in behalf of the church, presented the pastor with a Bulova wrist watch in observance of the second anniversary of his pastorate.

# Kennedy Cabinet Active Churchmen

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — President-elect John F. Kennedy has nominated to his Cabinet seven Protestants, two Jews, and a Roman Catholic—all active in their churches or synagogues.

Protestant nominees include two Presbyterians, two Methodists, a Lutheran, an Episcopalian, and a Mormon.

The President-elect's brother, Robert F. Kennedy, 35, who is the nominee for Attorney General, is the only member of the Roman Catholic Church named to the cabinet.

Robert Kennedy has a reputation as a devout Catholic. He has taken an active role in the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr., Foundation, a charitable trust set up by the Kennedy family in memory of Sen. Kennedy's older brother who was killed in World War II.

Robert Kennedy and his wife, the parents of seven children, have been particularly interested in the welfare of crippled and retarded youngsters. They have made numerous gifts to Catholic charities in the Washington area.

### Rusk A Presbyterian

Dr. Dean Rusk, president of the Rockefeller Foundation, the nominee for Secretary of State, is the son of an ordained minister of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern) who held pastorates in Georgia and South Carolina. Dr. Rusk, an alumnus of Davidson (N.C.) College (Southern Presbyterian), is a member of the Hitchcock Memorial Presbyterian church in Scarsdale, N. Y.

The incoming Secretary of Defense, Robert S. McNamara, 44, is an elder of the First Presbyterian church of Ann Arbor, Mich.

The Secretary of the Treasury, C. Douglas Dillon, 51, is a prominent layman of the Protestant Episcopal Church. His speeches as Undersecretary of State in President Eisenhower's administration have frequently stressed the theme that America's program for aid to underdeveloped countries is the strongest test of this nation's moral character.

He has been a strong supporter of the Foundation for Religious Action in the Social and Civil Order (FRASCO), founded by Dr. Charles Wesley Lowry, an Episcopal clergyman, and has frequently urged churchmen to express their concern over moral issues in foreign policy.

J. Edward Day, 46, the nominee for Postmaster General, is a member of the official board of the Wilshire Methodist church of Los Angeles. Although Mr. Day, who was state insurance commissioner of Illinois under Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson and is now a vice-president of the Prudential Life Insurance Co., has lived in Los Angeles only four years, he has been active in many religious and charitable organizations there. He is described as a very earnest churchman.

Gov. Luther Hodges of North Carolina, who will become Secretary of Commerce, is also an active Methodist layman. Gov. Orville Freeman of Minnesota, named Secretary of Agriculture, is an active layman of the Augustana Lutheran Church.

Rep. Stewart L. Udall (D-Ariz.) who has been appointed Secretary of the Interior, is a member of the Church of Jesus

Christ of the Latter-day Saints (Mormon) and is described as a staunch believer. He is the father of six children, and the entire family attends church every Sunday.

Both Albert J. Goldberg, 52, the nominee for Secretary of Labor, and Gov. Abraham A. Ribicoff, 50, of Connecticut, who will be Secretary of Health Education and Welfare, are members of Reform Jewish congregations. Mr. Goldberg is a member of Sinai Temple, Washington, and active on many of its committees. Gov. Ribicoff is an active member of Beth Israel Synagogue in West Hartford, Conn.

Among his other major appointments, Sen. Kennedy has named two active Unitarian laymen to key State Department posts, designating Rep. Chester Bowles (D-Conn.) as Undersecretary and Adlai E. Stevenson as ambassador to the United Nations. He has named Rep. George McGovern (D-S.D.), a Methodist minister's son and former Methodist college professor, as Food for Peace administrator.

Although it is probably only coincidental, not a single major appointment has yet been made of an individual who does not have an active religious affiliation.

## Lot Given For Tchula Pastorium

At the Annual Christmas Social of the First Church in Tchula, held on Wednesday night, Dec. 21st, a lot was presented to the church by the Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Olander for the purpose of building a pastorium. The lot is located across the lake from the town of Tchula.

Rev. Roy D. Raddin, pastor, said, "In accepting this lot for the church may I express to Brother and Mrs. Olander our sincere appreciation for this gift."

Rev. Olander is a former pastor of the Church.

## CORINTH CALLS SHEFFIELD

Corinth Church, Tallahatchie County, has called a new pastor, Rev. Bobby Sheffield.

Rev. and Mrs. Sheffield, of Mississippi College and Raymond, have already begun their duties at Corinth.

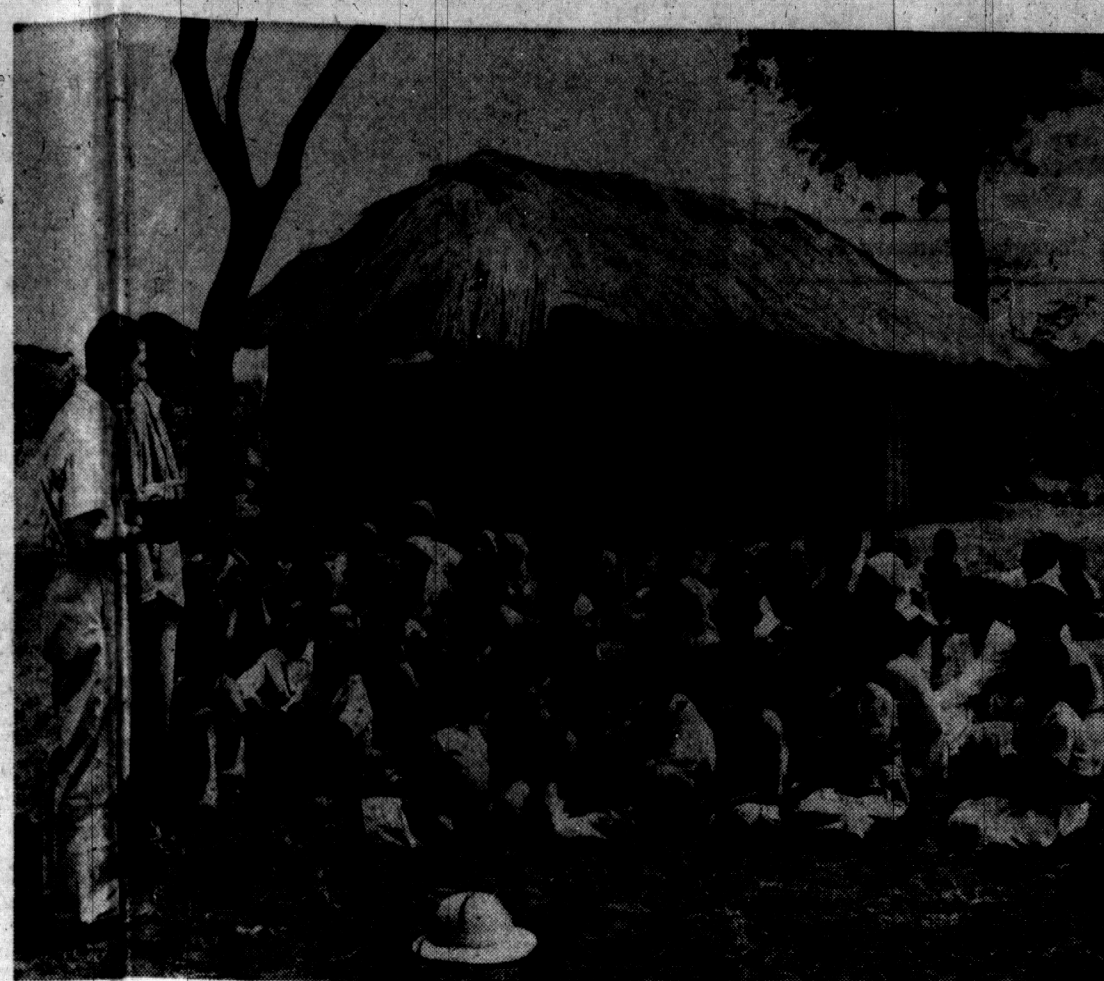
## "The Messiah" Sung At First, Brookhaven

Handel's "Messiah" was presented by the Chancel Choir of First Church, Brookhaven, at the Sunday evening worship hour, on December 18, 1960.

The music was under the direction of Kendall Smith, Minister of Music. Bolstered by the solo renditions of Miss Hilda Cochran, of Poplarville, and Sidney Buckley of New Orleans, Louisiana, the choir presented the Christmas section of the world-famous work.

In addition to Miss Cochran and Mr. Buckley, the soloists were Mrs. Harold Lofton, Mrs. Jewel Campbell and Kendall Smith. Miss Julia Guess, church organist, provided the organ accompaniment.

Dr. Bob N. Ramsay is the pastor.



DR. SAMUEL R. J. CANNATA, JR. (left), missionary on the staff of the Baptist hospital in Sanyati, Southern Rhodesia, talks to Sunday school pupils in Gokwe, about 35 miles away, on the grounds where a medical clinic is held each week. Assisting him is Mr. Ndebele, resident pastor in Gokwe. In the background is the temporary meeting place of the Baptist church; bricks are being made for a permanent building.

## Florence Names Long Range Study Committee

To be prepared for the rapid growth anticipated in the area, First Church, Florence, adopted a recommendation December 18 instructing the Nominating Committee to appoint a Long Range Study Committee, to make a thorough study of the future building needs of the church over a period of years in which Rankin County expects a great deal of growth.

Though this Committee will not have power to act, it will function as a means of determining what the church needs to attempt and accomplish in order to keep up with the spiritual needs of the area.

Also, the congregation accepted the following recommendation from the deacons: that a new pastorium be built, that the present pastorium and land be sold and construction on a new home begin not later than September 1, 1961.

Rev. James Fancher is the pastor.

## Rose Witnesses In 1000 Churches

Alf Rose, of Vicksburg, has presented his Gospel Messages in magic for the past fifteen years in churches throughout Mississippi and Louisiana.

He states that he has now preached in more than one thousand Baptist churches.

## STURGIS FEATURES PORTRAITS

The town of Sturgis held a Christmas program at Sturgis Baptist Church on December 18.

The program, on the theme, "Portraits of the Madonnas," featured living reproductions of the famous Madonna portraits: "The Madonna of the Choir," "The Blue Madonna," "Holy Night," "Mother Adoring Child," and "The Sistine Madonna."



CHAPARRAL CHURCH, Wayne County, presented pins for perfect attendance in Sunday school to the following: Mrs. Wanda Chapman, four years, and son Wayne Chapman, two years; Mrs. Maggie Chapman, two years; and one-year pins to Herman Duvall and son, Glen (age 5), Mrs. Nicey Chapman, Barbara Chapman, Terry and Tony Chapman (ages 3 and 6), Mrs. Dorothy Chapman, mother of Terry and Tony, received a special attendance certificate, along with Mrs. Lizzie Weaver and Mrs. Hattie Duvall, age 72. There has been a marked increase in average attendance at Chaparral during the first six months in their new building. Rev. Lon Brown is the pastor.

## Brannon Party Visits Parchman

Rev. Cliff Brannon's evangelistic team paid a visit to Parchman Penitentiary on a recent weekend.

Saturday night the group visited Camp No. 3 and presented each inmate at the Camp a Soul Winners Testament.

Mr. Brannon takes steps through the Testament, each step numbered, from which he teaches and presents his sermon.

The following day, Sunday, the group went to five other camps singing, preaching the Gospel, and having a marvelous fellowship with the inmates. Mr. B. B. Orr, group sponsor presented a testament to every one of the 2,300 inmates.

The group is planning a return visit. During their short visit with us there were 182 professions. Rev. F. O. Martin is chaplain.

## Family Life Meets For January

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — Dr. Joe W. Burton, secretary of the Sunday School Board's Family Life Department, has announced plans for two meetings sponsored by the Department during January.

Several family life consultants representing all areas of the Southern Baptist Convention will meet with the family life department's staff in Nashville Jan. 12-13. The group will function as a planning group studying the needs in family life education. It will propose comprehensive long range plans to meet those needs.

Southern Baptist writers during 1962 for "The Family Workshops" section of "Home Life" magazine, Department publication, will confer Jan. 27 with members of the Family Life Department in Nashville.

Our family routine continues to move along with the regular irregularity of missionary life. —Mamie Lou (Mrs. Earl, Jr.) Posey, missionary to the Philippines.

## Dallas Suburb Votes For Dry

DALLAS — (BP) — Residents of the vast southeast Dallas suburb of Oak Cliff have voted overwhelmingly against the legalized sale of beer and alcoholic beverages.

Final count in a hotly-contested local option vote was 22,497 to 13,468. Only six of 45 boxes went wet.

"I want to give God the glory," said H. Pritchard, pastor of the Clarendon Drive Baptist Church and co-chairman of the Oak Cliff Civic and Moral League which led the dry forces.

It was the third time in four years that Oak Cliff voters have vetoed liquor sales, once each in 1956, and again in 1957.

## Board Supplies Program Booklets

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — For the fourth consecutive year the advertising department of the Sunday School Board has supplied program booklets for 28 Baptist State Evangelistic Conferences this winter. This represents a symbol of the close working relationship between the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Baptist State Evangelistic Departments.

Each program, supplied at cost, is customized for every state department. Folders contain program, pictures of program personalities, 1961 Baptist Jubilee revival dates and related information, space for notes, and illustrations of available evangelistic materials in Baptist Book Stores.

The booklets are a definite service to those attending the conferences because they provide the proper information required for ordering supplies for revival efforts.

NEW YORK — In the American Baptist Convention, new churches have been started at a rate of three per month since 1940. This is the greatest in their history, according to a 1960 census of American Baptist churches.



## Woman's Missionary Union

President—MRS. J. T. LYONS, McComb  
Executive Secretary—MISS EDWINA ROBINSON  
YWA Director—MISS MARJEAN PATTERSON  
Sunbeam Director—MISS WAUDINE STOREY

## What Do You Know of Our BAPTIST HERITAGE?

The graded series prepared by our Home Mission Board will help us know something of our background, beginnings and beings.

Adults—The Dreamer Cometh—Carleton (The story of Luther Rice)  
YWA—His To Command—Dye  
Int. GA—No Greater Heritage—Cothron  
Jr. GA—Sawgrass Missionary—Provence  
Sunbeams—Blue Flower—Durham

### I WAS BUSY LAST WEEK

"The deacon beside me said, 'Brother Moore, I have certainly been busy this week. I was in our Baptist College, and taught several classes of fine students.' 'The same day I was across the state ministering to a sick man in our Baptist hospital. 'The next day found me in New Orleans witnessing to a down-and-out man, and in a western village telling them of Jesus.'"

"My original reaction to his 'I've been busy,' had by now given way to incredulity. 'He continued, 'After I took food to some boys and girls in our children's home, I went to Japan. There I listened to the testimonies of those whom God had recently saved, and shared with the crowd my own experience of how Jesus saves from sin.'"

"By now I was thinking, 'What is wrong with this man?' But I knew him well. He was not only sane and sound, but he was a distinguished college professor. What could he mean?" "Still he continued, 'The same week found me in Ogbomoso, in Africa, ministering to lepers. And then I was in Jerusalem before a small group of burdened people.'"

"In Jerusalem? My friend, are you ill, or what is wrong?" I asked. "Neither ill nor wandering in my mind. I am merely telling you a few of the things I did this past week. You see, I put a part of myself in the offering plate in our church Sunday. Through the Cooperative Program, I was busy last week." —Merrill D. Moore

### May you have for yourself:

Peace, poise, and patience,  
Health, hope and happiness,  
Courage, cheer and contentment,  
Faith in fellowship with and fidelity to Christ.

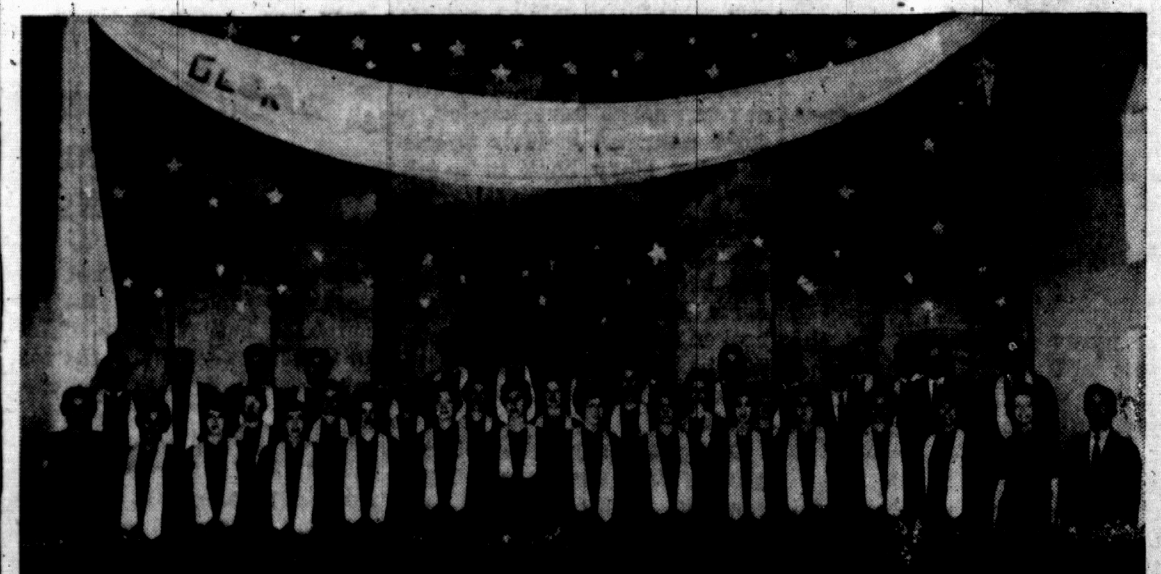
### May you be toward others:

Gentle, gracious and guileless,  
Useful, unselfish and undaunted,  
Sympathetic, serviceful and sincere,  
Loyal to friends, loving to enemies,  
Lenient with the fallen.

### May you remain:

Untwisted by prejudice,  
Untarnished by low desires,  
Uncrushed by disappointment,  
Undismayed by any failure.

—From the heart of a woman



MAGNOLIA STREET Church Choir, Laurel, presented the cantata, "Love Transcending," by John W. Peterson on the eve of December 18, 1960. Mrs. Nelda Hollifield and Mrs. Francis Guy, Jr., provided the piano and organ accompaniments, respectively. Preceding the cantata, the Carol Choir, composed of twenty-six Junior boys and girls offered a program of contemporary Christmas songs, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Bobbie Vanatta. Both choirs were under the direction of the minister of music, Evio C. de Oliveira. Rev. Damon V. Vaughn is the pastor.



## An American Baptist Alliance?

In recent weeks there has been widespread interest in the proposal made at the San Francisco Conference of the National Council of Churches that four of the larger denominations of America be merged. In both the secular and the religious press many articles and editorials relating to this matter have appeared. Since Baptists are not involved, little has been said in the Baptist press concerning the suggestion.

However, the editor of the BIBICAL RECORDER of North Carolina, has suggested that since union is being discussed, it might well be time for reappraisal of the relationships of American Baptist groups one to another. He even suggests that the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Convention might begin such exploratory talks. He states that "A strong, united Baptist witness in America is needed."

We heartily agree that "a strong Baptist witness" is needed, but we are not at all sure that the union of Baptist denominational groups is the best way to secure that witness. While doctrinal beliefs are basically the same, there are many differences in policy and program which would make union difficult to achieve, even if it were found desirable.

For some time, however, we have considered suggesting another proposal by which Baptist witness might be strengthened and expanded, yet which could probably be much more easily achieved than organic union. Why, therefore, could we not form a North American Baptist Alliance, fashioned along the lines of the Baptist World Alliance? This could give a united front in Baptist work and witness, without affecting the autonomy of a single church or denominational group. Each individual Baptist group could continue to carry on its program with its own emphasis, yet each would be working along side other Baptists in closer fellowship and stronger witness.

This is not a new idea, for it has been suggested more than once before. This writer remembers that the late M. E. Dodd made such a proposal about a quarter of a century ago. The time was not then ripe for such a proposal, but perhaps it might receive more favorable consideration now.

It seems most timely that such an alliance should be studied by Baptists just now. Some writers are hinting that American Christianity may be entering a "post-Protestant era." A prominent Protestant leader has charged that "Christianity is in retreat." Under such circumstances it is imperative that Baptists re-examine their position and program to see if they are giving the largest possible witness to today's world. Since the majority of Southern Baptists (and we are included among them) do not believe that Baptist participation in modern ecumenical movements is the answer to the problem of an enlarged Christian testimony, it seems that we must carefully consider whether a more united Baptist voice is needed.

Experiences in the Baptist Jubilee Advance program have revealed how near together Baptist groups are in their larger program and purpose. It has shown that through committees and adopted goals we can work together in a single overall plan, with each group adapting it to its own peculiar situation. Our fellowship of Baptists of America has been brought closer together through this united effort.

The growth, development and effective ministry of the Baptist World Alliance also has shown us that we can work together in unity and fellowship, within the framework of a larger organization, without losing a single distinctive, or giving up individual denominational interests and programs.

This is not a proposal that we seek to form a giant super-denomination just to be the largest Christian group. Neither, let me repeat, is it a veiled effort to lead Southern Baptists down the road to ecumenicalism. It is simply an attempt to find a means of marshalling all Baptist resources for the glory of God and the advance of Christ's kingdom. Since Baptists constitute the largest evangelical group in America they have a responsibility to give the strongest possible witness for Christ.

There perhaps has never been in the history of Baptist work in America, a more propitious time to begin such a fellowship as we have proposed. For the past two years, and continuing for the next three years, seven of the Baptist groups of America are cooperating in Baptist Jubilee Advance. In 1964 the third Jubilee of Baptist organized work in the United States will be celebrated in a great joint meeting in Atlantic City. If, after thorough study and discussion the organization of such an alliance is found feasible and desirable, why could not the Baptist Jubilee Advance program be culminated in its formation? Would it not provide a fitting way to continue the fellowship and witnessing gains achieved through five years of laboring together?

Is this one means of a stronger Baptist witness in America? Will it advance the cause of Christ? Will it be acceptable to Southern Baptists and other groups? We do not know the answers to these and other questions which may be raised. We do feel, however, that the idea might well be explored and discussed. If, after investigation, it is found that the plan will weaken the Baptist doctrinal position, or the autonomy and independence of the churches and the denominational groups, we shall quickly join those who oppose it. If, however, such a fellowship can be accomplished without the loss of any of those principles so dear to all of us as Baptists, then it might well prove to be the next great step of Baptist advance.

## Preaching In 1961

Baptists still believe that the major task of the church is preaching. What kind of preaching is needed in 1961? With world conditions being what they are, it is surely a time to stand up and preach. But, what shall we preach?

At one of the seminary luncheons during the recent Mississippi Baptist Convention, the speaker told of an old definition of preaching. He said something like this: "Preaching is opening the Bible, finding out what it says, and then telling the people its message."

We believe this is the preaching that is needed in this new year. The Bible has a message for the world of 1961. Let the preachers study the Word of God until they know what it says, and its message burns in their souls. Then let them, in the power of the Holy Spirit, stand up and proclaim that message to the people.

The year 1961 needs to be a year of great preaching. God has spoken; the people need to hear what He has said. He has chosen that through the "foolishness of preaching" they shall hear His message.



RING IN THE NEW—"The old has passed away, behold, the new has come." (II Cor. 5:17 RSV)—RNS Photo.

## Year Of Stewardship And Enlistment

Baptists of America have come to the third year of Baptist Jubilee Advance. The first year gave special attention to "Evangelism," while the second saw emphasis on "Teaching and Training." Both years have produced many advances in our Baptist work.

Now as we turn our thinking to "Stewardship and Enlistment" we realize immediately that there is probably not a riper field for advance in our whole Baptist life. Baptists of America have the resources and the ability to do much more for God than they are now doing. Stewardship means far more than money. It includes "the total resources, both personal and material, entrusted to us by God." It means money, time, talents, influence and all else that the Christian possesses. Enlistment of the "whole Christian life" for the church and the Lord's kingdom is the purpose of this emphasis.

High goals have been set. As one reads these goals he is thrilled by their potential. Every church, every pastor and every church leader should join in the endeavor to attain them.

The Jubilee theme for the year is "I will be Faithful." Do we as Baptists dare to make a complete commitment of faithfulness to God? Such a commitment could change Baptists and change the world.

## Man Of The Year

A popular weekly journal annually chooses a "Man of the Year." Widespread interest is manifest each year as many eagerly await the announcement of which leader in government, business, education, science or other field has been designated as the person who has made the largest contribution to the world's life, or had the widest influence in men's affairs.

It would be interesting to see who would be chosen as "Christian of the year," "Pastor of the Year," "Teacher of the Year," "Deacon of the Year," or some similar category. Actually, such could never be rightly chosen, for only God knows who should be the recipient of the title. Perhaps some unheard-of, unknown Christian, would be the one who has lived the finest Christian life, or made the greatest contribution to the advance of God's kingdom. We can be sure that at the proper time, God will give full recognition and honor to those who deserve it.

Meanwhile, we are sure about the one who is, the "Man of the Year," the "Man of Every Year," yes, "the Man of the Ages." He is the one who has been given a "name above every name," and before whom all creation shall bow. He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, the Lord Jesus Christ, our Saviour. He is truly the "Man of the Year" not only in America, but for the whole world.

## Quotables

SELECTED BY THE EDITOR FROM CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT AND OPINION

Some people would rather be wrong than quiet for a moment.

The hardest job of all is trying to look busy when you are not.

Money may be the husk of many things, but not the kernel. It brings you food, but not appetite; medicine, but not health; acquaintances, but not friends; servants, but not faithfulness, days of joy, but not peace or happiness.—Henrik Ibsen.

The right temperature at home is more surely maintained by the warm hearts and cool heads of those who live there, than by electric thermostats.

Life would be so much simpler if we would care for our worries instead of worrying about our care.

The teacher lights many candles which in later years shine back to brighten his path.

## BAPTIST FORUM

### Praise For The Baptist Hospital

Few people get the praise they so often deserve until it's too late. Our world would be a better place in which to live if we expressed gratitude for service rendered.

Rev. John McCoy, pastor of West Park Methodist Church, Jackson, along with his wife, Sara, and children, Jimmy, Johnny, and Dottie Jo, wish to express to the staff of the Baptist Hospital and the good Baptists who support the hospital, our humble thanks for the constant and loving care given our precious daughter, Mary.

On November 11, Mary, Jimmy, and Dottie Jo were involved in an automobile accident with a man who was driving while intoxicated.

From the moment they were brought to the hospital the doctors and nurses worked untiringly in their interest. The devotion of everyone working at Baptist Hospital has been constant.

Jimmy, who had multiple cuts and bruises on his face, head and arms, was so skillfully attended by the plastic surgeon that he has only minor "battle scars" left. He is back in school again. Dottie Jo, the six-year-old daughter, received only cuts on the face and hands from flying glass and was dismissed after examination.

Mary, who sustained a very bad skull fracture and deep lacerations on the head, along with a broken arm and multiple bruises, was unconscious for 28 days. During that time the floor nurses, the supervisors, the hostess and chaplains, have been so kind, loving, and devoted to Mary that we cannot praise them too highly. The neurosurgeons have not left a stone unturned in their efforts to bring Mary back to a full and complete recovery. No finer Christian doctors could be found. The bone specialist has been so kind and considerate in taking care of her broken arm. We feel that nothing has been left undone in providing for her care and comfort.

Our praise goes to all our private duty nurses who have been so devoted to her and her every need.

The entire city of Jackson, people of all faiths and creeds, have helped to make our burden light.

At this time of year, when gifts are the thought of the day, may the author of "all



## What Do You Think?

No normal person likes to be despised, although such plight is sometimes inescapable. Under most circumstances it costs to escape the scorn of others.

Paul said, "Let no man despise thee" (Titus 2:15). Translated according to etymology, what he said was: "Don't let anybody think circles around you." For the inevitable result of such intellectual defeat is that the vanquished becomes the object of scorn.

We who are Christians rightly say that a man must first of all be a man of faith. But we ought also be men of truth who develop and employ our intellectual faculties to the fullest. Sometimes, I think, we lose the battle for truth and light by default. We retreat into a faith without thought.

John A. Hutchinson once said, "An unthinking faith is a curious offering to be made to the Creator of the human mind." And John Baillie sob-

berly observed: "If religion does not use the machinery of thought to cultivate its own fields, then others will use that same machinery to turn its fields into a wilderness." May God forbid! But let us remember that it was Jesus our Lord who popularized the question: "What do you think?"

## Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

### "STORES OPEN ON SUNDAY"

QUESTION: The members of my church patronize a local store which is open all day on Sunday. Even our church buys refreshments (for socials) from this store and an extension worker goes to these workers in the store and enrolls them. Don't you think we should boycott this store and refuse to put these people on our extensions department?

ANSWER: No, I do not. I regret as much as you do that an increasing number of stores are staying open on Sunday. But I do not think that two wrongs make a right. Furthermore, I believe that both church members and store owners should be given freedom to decide for themselves about these matters.

Would you want to penalize, or punish, people for doing what they decide is right? What of the Golden Rule? What of humility about ideas? What about Christian love? Set an example yourself, but do not attempt to dominate others.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 West 47th Street, Kansas City 12, Missouri)

## Calendar of Prayer

January 9 — Mrs. N. W. Carpenter, Jr., staff, Mississippi college; Earl Kelly, District Representative, Sunday School Dept.

January 10 — John C. Graves, Jr., Franklin, associational Sunday school superintendent; Mrs. Helen McWhorter, William Carey College faculty.

January 11 — Mrs. Harvey Haggard, Noxubee associational WMU President; A. W. Blackwell, Perry Associational Training Union director.

January 12 — Mrs. Aurelia M. Hollis, Blue Mountain College faculty; Woodrow Nolen, Lowndes associational Brotherhood president.

January 13 — Mrs. Ray Grillo, Baptist Building; Grace Lovelace, Baptist Building.

January 14 — Mrs. Herschel Lockhart, clerk, Monroe Association; Mrs. Lorene Burris, Baptist Book Store.

January 15 — A. R. Smith, Zion-Oktibbeha associational missionary; C. A. Rothe, Winston associational missionary.

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# Feder To Edu

By Hugh Wamble  
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It is possible, indeed probable, that the 87th Congress will pass a federal aid-to-education bill early in 1961, if the reports of an attempted legislative filibuster are reliable. It would certainly deal with school construction and possibly with teachers' salaries also.

The time appears ripe for such a bill. American voters have been alerted, as never before, to urgent school needs. In countless school districts during 1960 they passed school bond issues totalling \$1,520,000,000. During the recent national campaign, they were reminded of education needs by party platforms and political stumpings. Each candidate, depicting himself as an implacable foe of ignorance and a resourceful friend of education, suggested federal remedies for educational ills.

Congress, therefore, will be a scene of debate and discussion, and perhaps compromise, over aid-to-education. Certain battle lines are already visible.

### Organized Campaign

There will be an organized campaign for aid to public schools, without reference to religious schools. Educators have been talking about school needs for years, and teachers' organizations have, monotonously, almost ritually, passed resolutions favoring federal aid. The facts contained in party platforms come largely from educators' testimony. Their efforts have succeeded in inspiring several bills, but they have been unsuccessful in getting a bill through Congress. Some bills have been "amended" to death; others have been sent on a one-way trip to political Siberia via "procedural rules." Advocates of federal aid seem to have picked up support each year.

There will be an organized campaign against an education bill. The highly influential United States Chamber of Commerce has recently (Nov. 19th) announced its intention to resist federal aid to schools on the grounds that it "is both unnecessary and unwanted, and would lead to eventual federal direction of local school systems."

### Adopt Resolutions

There will also be an organized campaign to insure that any bill, if one should pass, provide only or public schools, that it exclude aid to religious schools. Several religious bodies have adopted resolutions against federal aid to church schools, especially below the college level. For thirteen years Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State (PO-AU) has led in opposing legislative acts which provide aid, both directly and indirectly, to churches and their agencies. The views expressed by this persuasion are: over 90% of parochial school aid would help one denomination which operates the vast majority of parochial schools; it would undermine the public school system by encouraging religious groups to set up their own schools in competition with other denominations; those who desire to send their children to parochial schools certainly have the right to do so, but they should voluntarily pay the cost of such education; church schools are agencies of religious bodies which administer them, select teachers, set up curricula, and choose textbooks; aid to parochial schools would violate the first amendment which says that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion" (by providing financial support to a religious body or bodies).

### Operates in 47 States

There will also be an organized campaign to insure that any bill, if one should pass, make provisions for religious schools also. For several years before the organization of PO-AU, and since, Roman Catholic leaders have contended for aid to parochial schools. An organization called "Citizens for Educational Freedom" now operating in at least 47 states, is reportedly sponsoring a letter-writing campaign calling for the defeat of bills which







## —A WARNING— Accept No Substitute

By W. R. Roberts  
State Representative of SBC  
Annuity Board

There is none for the Southern Baptist Protection Plan. All the rosy prospects of making a quick and easy killing cannot take the place of the stubborn fact: The Southern Baptist Protection Plan is paying off and has been for over 40 years. A promise to pay differs considerably from a glowing prospect.

That's not the only compelling reason for securing this much needed protection for your minister. A good investment company performs better than their bond. Interest especially in the Southern Baptist Protection Plan is guaranteed.

The Annuity Board is not in the insurance business. Primarily, the Annuity Board is in the retirement annuity field. It is true that we have term insurance for widow protection and disability protection, for which the individual pays. But term insurance is incidental to a guaranteed annuity check each month after retirement for life.

**Differences Seen**  
Capable life insurance men are our best promoters of the Annuity Board Program. They encourage ministers and churches to get this much needed protection. We encourage every minister to get all the insurance protection that he can afford.

Insurance and annuities are two different matters. Primarily, insurance is to protect one against a known hazard such as dying too soon. An annuity is to protect one in case he lives too long. These two ideas

should be kept in clear focus. The Annuity Board does not claim to be investment bankers. It is true that our Board invests our money for profit and has done quite well on this score for over 40 years. Even so, we still don't promise "quick money." We make no rosy promises. We get back out of this plan what we put in plus a fair return in interest which is guaranteed. This is all we promise.

**Easily Possible**  
Some among us may feel that they can take the same amount of money and get a better return than from the Annuity Board Program. This could very easily be possible since we aren't in the investment for profit business. We hasten to say that it is possible to get far less than we can do. The fact remains that Mississippi Baptists pay 1/4 of the cost of a pastor's retirement but they will not pay except in our own retirement fund. Our churches take the same position.

Every church is urged to cooperate with our Convention and protect every pastor through the Southern Baptist Protection Plan.

## Southern Baptists To Study Their Heritage In Missions

ATLANTA — (BP) — How Southern Baptists became a major force in Christian world missions will be studied in the denomination's churches preceding the March Week of Prayer for Home Missions in 1961.

"Our Baptist Heritage in Missions," the theme for the series of books for 1961, is developed in the story of Luther Rice and the formation of the Southern Baptist Convention and in other stories of pioneer missionaries.

"The Dreamer Cometh," the book for adults, is the biography of Luther Rice, who is considered the father of Baptists' organization as a Convention to promote Christian missions. Author of the book is William A. Carleton of Mill Valley, Calif., Professor of Church History at Golden Gate Seminary.

Harold Dye of San Jose, Calif., a pastor and famed writer outside his own denomination, uses a composite of dedicated young people in "His To Command." Dye's book will be studied by young people.

"No Greater Heritage" is the story of Dan, a young boy in his early teens whose interest in journalism leads him to an assignment to "cover" Baptist history for his pastor with the local newspaper editor as critic. Written by A. B. Corbion of Nashville, Tenn., a typographer and book designer for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, "No Greater Heritage" will be studied by young people in their early teens, intermediates.

Elizabeth Provence, home missionary in New Orleans, La., drew on her 20 years of

denominational work in Florida and her personal knowledge of Willie King to write, "Sawgrass Missionary." The book, for ages nine through 12, Juniors, is the story of King, a Choctaw Indian who was the first Southern Baptist missionary to the Seminole Indians in the Everglades. King's ministry is seen through the eyes of his young Indian friend, Johnny.

Blue Flower was the name the Indians gave to Miss Pauline Cammack, missionary to Pueblo Indians of New Mexico, and it is the title of the book for children from six to nine, Primaries, "Blue Flower" is Miss Cammack's biography and seven-year-old Pueblo Pat's story. Author of the book is Jacqueline Durham of Atlanta, Ga., editorial assistant for "Home Missions" Magazine.

During independence celebrations in Nigeria a national prayer, "Lord, forgive us while we pat ourselves on the back for not having any riots or bloodshed."

We find our hearts hopelessly and happily intertwined with the hearts of the people with whom God chose for us to serve. —Peggy (Mrs. W. Bryant) Hicks, missionary to the Philippines.

It is easy to take the blessings of Christianity for granted until you come to a land where Christianity has never had an opportunity to bless. —Buck Donaldson, Jr., missionary to East Africa.

## Montgomery Associational TU Honors Winners

Pictured above are the Montgomery County Juniors and Intermediate who were Associational and State Winners in the Junior Memory Work and Intermediate Sword Drill.

**First Row:**  
Anneth Flowers, Kilmichael, State Winner; Susan Heath, Winona, State Winner; Linda Ballard, Kilmichael, State Winner; Betty Brister, Kilmichael, State Master Swordsman Selection. (She was awarded a week's stay at Gulfshore); Barbara Dacus, Kilmichael, State Winner;

Mary Burke, standing in for Linda Hammond, Winona, State Winner; Glenda Flowers, Kilmichael, State Winner Perfect. **Second Row:**  
Bob Hammond, Winona, Associational Winner; Rita Flowers, Kilmichael, State Winner Perfect; Rita Garrette, Kilmichael, State Winner; Patricia Brister, Kilmichael, State Winner; Jeannene Townsend, Kilmichael, State Winner; Nina Brister, Kilmichael, State Winner.

**Third Row:**  
Rev. A. L. Hatten and Rev. John Green, pastors of these children. These young people were honored for their achievements at the annual "M" night program. They were introduced by Rev. A. L. Hatten and also presented the yearly and monthly theme for Training-Union work for 1961.

Rev. Billy Joe Jones, pastor of the Duck Hill Church, prepared the posters for the occasion. Rev. Edward P. Burke is the superintendent of missions.

**UNITY TO BUILD**—Unity Church of Pike County, only ten months old, and organized September 4, 1960 has begun a building program. Rev. Dick Brogan, the pastor, stated that the building will be constructed as donations are contributed by members and interested friends. The pastor looks over the foundation of the auditorium which will be partially used as Sunday School space. An educational unit is in the future building plans.



**INTERNATIONAL** students at the University of Mississippi were guests of the First Church, Oxford, at a dinner at the church. Students who attended are pictured above: Back row — left to right: Raul Cardenas, Ecuador; Fred Amirfaryan, Iran; Arun K. Dalal, India; Beatriz Moscoso, Panama; Victor and Mirna Delgadillo, Nicaragua; Dario Caldera, Venezuela; Herman Ovagin, Turkey; Hibu Ko, Japan; Koc Yiong Yao, Philippines. Front row: Hector Rusan, Guatemala; Yong Sook Park, Korea; Woo Sou Jeong, Korea; Dru Alwani, India; Frank Cheng Sun, Republic of China; Emelda Capati, Philippines; Marcella Zamora, Philippines; Biswendra Dasgupta, India.

## Tishomingo Calls Ormond Barnes

First Church, Tishomingo, welcomed their new pastor and wife, with a church supper and pantry shower December 3. Rev. Ormond Barnes is a graduate of Union University of Tennessee and of New Orleans Seminary.

He comes to this field from the Mt. Pisgah Church in Shelby Association, Tennessee. He has also served pastorates at Bethel Springs, Newbern and Yorkville, Tennessee. Mrs. Barnes is a graduate of the School of Religious Education of New Orleans Seminary.

Twenty-eight members at-

tended "M" night, the largest attendance ever made by this church. The church was host December 11, to Tishomingo County Association, for their Christmas Carol Sing, and despite rain and cold, the church was full.

A special survey of nearly 15,000 specialists has revealed that the typical American medical specialist is male, age 46, lives in the city, and works fifty-seven hours a week. He sees eighty-five private patients a week, works alone, and likes his specialty.

## Names In The News

**Mrs. Owen Cooper**, 1810 Grand Avenue, Yazoo City, will participate in a family life conference, Jan. 12-13 at Nashville. Several family life consultants representing all areas of the Southern Baptist Convention will meet with the Family Life Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board for this conference. The group will study the needs in family life education and will propose comprehensive long range plans, to meet those needs.

**Van Evans** has resigned as minister of education and interim music director of First Church, Gulfport. Dr. Landrum P. Leavell, pastor, to become minister of education and assistant pastor of First Church, Bossier City, La.

**Rev. Almus Pelsgrove**, a retired Air Force Chaplain, has accepted the pastorate of Palmetto Church in Lee Association. He will reside in Shannon. The church recently voted to change its name from Pleasant Hill to Palmetto.

**Rev. and Mrs. George A. Canzoneri**, missionaries to North Brazil, have completed a year of language study in Campinas, Sao Paulo, and moved to their field of service at Corrente, Piaui. They may be addressed, Caixa Postal 2, Cidade Da Barra, Bahia, Brazil. Both are natives of Mississippi, he of Jackson and she, the former Betty Ray, of Oxford.

**Rev. and Mrs. A. Jackson Glaze, Jr.**, missionaries now on furlough from Argentina, have moved from Louisville, Ky., to Greenwood, S. C., where their address is 1520 S. Main St. He

is a native of D'Lo; she is the former Eugenia Jarvis, of Greenwood.

**Rev. Harold E. O'Chester**, pastor, and Mrs. O'Chester were honored with a reception on the occasion of his completion of two years as pastor of First Church, Purvis. An anniversary gift of luggage was presented to them.

**Dr. Ralph Noonkester**, president of William Carey College, will teach "Studies in First Corinthians" during January Bible Study Week at Temple Church, Hattiesburg.

**James D. Watts** has resigned as minister of music at Second Avenue Church, Laurel, to accept a similar position at Fellowship Church, Natchez, effective December 25.

**Dr. John F. Carter**, head of the Bible Department at Clarke College, will be the teacher for Bible Study Week at Calvary Church, Meridian. Rev. W. Otis Seal, pastor.

**Rev. Willie Wimbs**, Clarke College student, was ordained December 25 by First Church, Tupelo. Rev. Joe Causey, pastor.

**Dr. Earl Kelly**, pastor of First Church, Holly Springs, will bring the evening messages during Stewardship Emphasis Week Jan. 9, 10 and 11 at West Jackson Church, Jackson, Tenn. Dr. David Q. Byrd, former Mississippian, is pastor.

**Dr. Landrum P. Leavell** has observed his fourth anniversary as pastor of First Church, Gulfport.

## Motion Picture Producer Eyeing Film On Judsons

HOLLYWOOD — (BP) — A leading motion picture producer here has expressed interest in filming the life stories of Adoniram and Ann Judson.

The Judsons sailed to Burma in 1812. Their change to Baptist doctrines on the way led to loss of financial support from their sponsoring denomination in the United States. It led Baptists to a foreign mission awakening.

Baptists throughout the United States and Canada are currently observing a period of church extension prior to the Third Jubilee of this foreign mission development. Referring to a book about the Judsons, producer Sam Engel told a group of churchwomen, "It's a great book; it's a great story. It can make a good moving picture and I would like to make it."

## St. Louis ---

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plete violation of the principle of separation of Church and State.

The hospital receives \$45,000 a year from the Baptist convention. It also receives gifts from the St. Louis United Fund.



**"SONGS" — NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BPN) —** Tuneful time for tots in Tulsa. "Songs for 4's and 5's," Broadman's illustrated collection of songs and music for this age group, was introduced during the Western Church Music Clinic in Tulsa. Miss Nettie Lou Crowder, one of the book's editors, examines a copy with some of the Beginner children who helped her demonstrate it. William J. Reynolds is the other editor. Church Music, Training Union, Sunday School, and Sunbeam workers contributed to selection of titles. This is the first songbook illustrated in color which Broadman Press has published. —Photos: Ward's Monroe Studios, Tulsa, Okla.

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## ENLARGEMENT CLINIC AND LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

No finer program could be offered to the Training Union leadership in Mississippi than the Enlargement Clinic and Leadership Workshop. The program will be conducted at First Baptist Church, Jackson, February 26—March 3, 1961. It is for all of Mississippi and neighboring states.

For the churches in Hinds county it will be an Enlargement Clinic. Each church participating will have an enlargement consultant who will work with the pastor and Training Union leadership to study the program of training with the view of enlarging the organization and enrollment. On Wednesday night the enlargement proposals will be presented to the church for consideration.

The workshop classes will be held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights from 7:00 to 9:20 at First Baptist Church. Classes will be offered to all leadership, led by the age group workers from the Training Union Department, Nashville, and other competent leaders from over the Southern Baptist Convention. Classes will also be offered for every age boy and girl. Morning sessions, Monday

Wednesday and Friday will be held 9:00-12:00 that deal with general principles, promotion, curriculum, and objectives of Training Union.

Training Union workers from over the state are urged to attend these sessions. Those living within driving distance, up to 50 miles, could commute daily or for as many morning and night sessions as possible.

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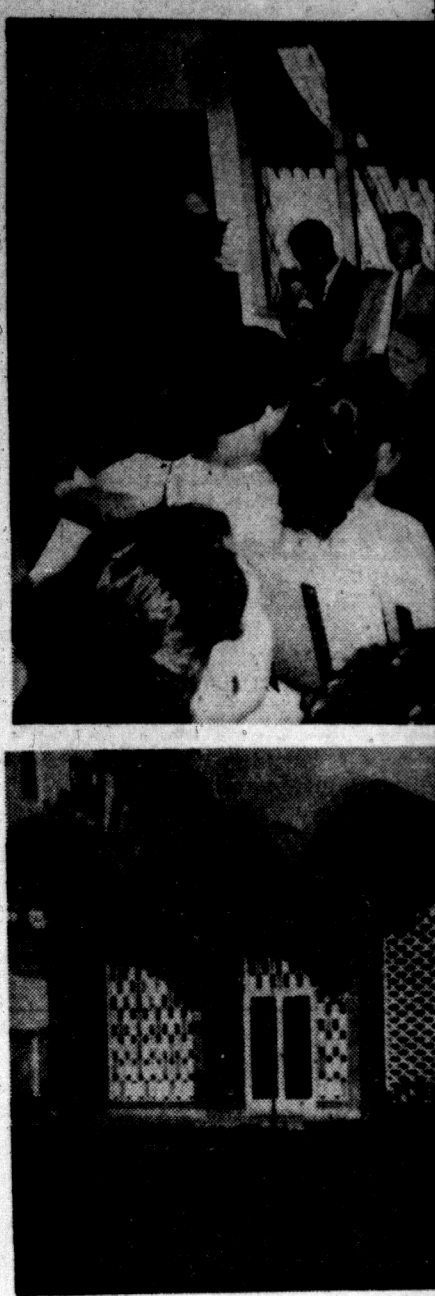
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## 792 PROSE IN MEXICO

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The intensive visitation was part of a Sunday School enlargement campaign which ran from Sunday through Sunday, October 2-9. Eighty-five people were present for the first Sunday morning, and more than 60 of them returned that afternoon to start the visitation. Two group captains, finding unnamed streets and unnumbered houses in their sections, used their creativity to draw up charts for future visitors. The week was climaxed by the giving to each officer and

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## The First Of His Signs

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell  
Scripture Text: John 2.

**INTRODUCTION.** When I think of this passage or read it, there always comes to memory these words from the fourteenth verse of the first chapter: "The Word became flesh," the infinite became finite, God became man. And such a man! Friendly, homey, approachable, willing and eager to take part in the innocent pleasures of those among whom he found Himself, was this Word become flesh.

Oh, I know there have been and doubtless are those who choose to think of Him as being a bit stern and morose. I even remember reading the words of one who chose to speak of Him as "the man who never smiled." But as a little boy He played with the other little boys, so that, as his parents started their return from the Passover which He attended with them at the age of twelve, they did not become alarmed when they discovered His absence from, but supposed He was before or behind them, talking, playing along with other boys of their company. And here we see Him attending a joyous occasion, a marriage among the common people. He loved them and delighted to have fellowship with them. Of course, He was accustomed to this sort of activity instead of being an introvert and recluse, else would He have been invited by his neighbors of the next little town to His own to attend this innocently happy occasion?

**I. A CRISIS IN THE FESTIVITIES.** "They have no wine" (John 2:3). That was one essential to any entertainment in that day and place. We are not to think of this action of our Lord as an indorsement of the unrestricted indulgence in the drinking of beverage alcohol. This passage has been used to prove that opposition to unlimited indulgence is all wrong—that He approved of drinking. That He approved of the use of wine is, I think, certain: that He approved of its misuse or abuse, is also very certain. We must make allowance for the social customs which Jesus met on His coming into the world. At all social functions, wine was expected. At far too many places and on far too many occasions, wholesome water was out of the question, and sometimes it was positively poisonous. Wine taken in moderation, was the accepted beverage even as tea, coffee, punch is now. The marriage feast, which sometimes stretched over a week, might catch one in an embarrassing situation, especially if a larger number of guests than had been at first expected came.

That situation arose with the coming of Jesus and His disciples. Such devastation and degrading effects as we see as a result of the present day liquor traffic were not known. There was a shortage of punch, tea, coffee and Jesus relieved that shortage.

**II. HIS RESPONSE TO HIS MOTHER'S IMPLIED SUGGESTION.** "Woman," "What have I to do with thee? Mine hour is not yet come" (John 4:4). His mother no doubt wished that her Son would do something, so she told Him: what she thought would call from Him some helpful action. His reply has been declared to be harsh, crude, disrespectful. The title "Woman" implied no disrespect. It is the royal title which God gave her at her creation, and the noblest of her sex has borne it and exalted it down all the river of time. It is likely that He did not then know what the Father intended for Him to do.

Ten seconds later, a minute later, five minutes later—in God's good time He knew, and then He acted, and we may be sure He did what the Father said. His words to His mother, we are told, might better be translated, "What have you and I to do with that?"

**III. THE BEGINNING OF HIS SIGNS.** "This, the first of His signs, did Jesus at Cana in Galilee" (John 2:11). The Greek word for "miracle" nowhere occurs in the Gospel of John. He uses the word for "sign." In all cases where the Lord uses this word for "sign" a sign that this Jesus is very God of very God.

**IV. EFFECT OF THE SIGN.** "His disciples believed on Him" (John 2:11). Of course, the first result of the sign was that the need of the occasion was relieved so that the festivities continued unbroken through the continuance of the feast. The second effect of the sign was the fact that it deepened the belief of men who had already believed. Jesus did not give signs indiscriminately to all men of all kinds. He even cautioned His disciples not to make His wonders too widely known, lest the wonder should arrest attention rather than the Savior Himself.

He came not to wake the wonder of the world, but to save it, not to attract a curious multitude, but to lead the morally sincere to the Light of the World. But here was a company of men who had heard the gracious words that fell mended from His lips, and had had this initial belief deepened by every experience with Him and now, by the witnessing of this remarkable sign had had that belief further deepened and broadened and strengthened. This is but an example of how He grows all the children in Christ into full stature of maturity in Him.

### Joe C. McCullough Dies In McComb

On Dec. 22nd, Joe S. McCullough was buried in McComb at the home of the East McComb Church.

He died of a heart attack that lasted about ten days.

Dr. T. D. Sumrall, pastor writes: "Brother Joe was among our very best. He was chairman of the deacons for seven years, Training Union Director for 14 years, teacher of a Sunday School Class of men for 10 years and for a dozen or more years was the efficient treasurer of our Pike County Baptist Association."

"He was alert in all of our church, county, state and world work of Baptists. We will greatly miss him in many ways while we rejoice in his victories."

Uncle Sam collected \$22.2 billion in corporate income taxes in fiscal 1960, or \$4.1 billion more than in 1959.

### E. S. Cole Dies

Funeral services were held December 22 from First Baptist Church Philadelphia, Miss. for Everett Sellers Cole Sr., prominent Baptist layman.

Mr. Cole, 75, was born in Ackerman and moved to Philadelphia in 1912 where he and his brother, W. D. Cole, founded Cole Brothers Wholesale Grocers.

He retired from active management of the company in 1929, but retained his interest in Cole-Terry of Quitman and Cole Brothers and Fox of Canton.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, and an inactive deacon of the church for many years.

Mr. Cole has served as a member of the Baptist Orphanage Board in Jackson and was active in the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Survivors: wife, Mrs. Gwineth Cole, Philadelphia; son, E. S. Cole Jr., Philadelphia; daughter, Mrs. Christine Cole Webb, Meridian; brothers, W. D. Cole, Philadelphia, W. M. Cole, Canton; sisters, Mrs. Hester Fox, Canton, Mrs. C. C. Lewis Okmulgee, Okla.; seven grandchildren.

## Off The Record

**Pedestrian** — A man who has two cars, a wife, and a daughter.

**Etc.** — This sign makes people think you know more than you do.

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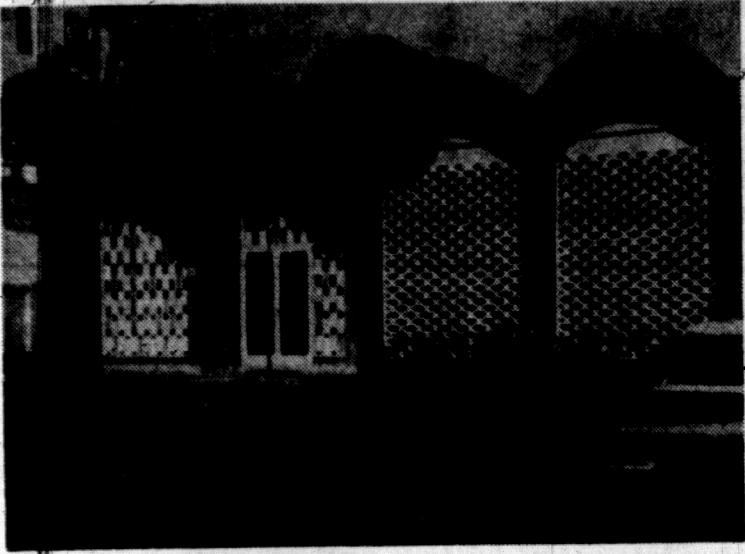
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## 792 PROSPECTS FOUND IN MEXICO CAMPAIGN

Every afternoon for eight days Baptists fanned out thru Navajo, Sonora, Mexico, knocking on doors as they looked for Sunday School prospects for the city's one Baptist Church. They found 792.

The intensive visitation was part of a Sunday School enlargement campaign which ran from Sunday through Sunday, October 2-9. Eighty-five people were present for the first Sunday morning, and more than 60 of them returned that afternoon to start the visitation. Two group captains, finding unnamed streets and unnumbered houses in their sections, used their creativity to draw up charts for future visitors.

The week was climaxed by the giving to each officer and

teacher in the church the names of prospects who were his responsibility. "The enlistment to follow seemed impossible for the small group gathered at the front of the auditorium that closing night," says Mrs. N. Hoyt Eudaly, Southern Baptist missionary with the Baptist Spanish publishing house in El Paso, Tex., who served on the campaign faculty.

"Then an invitation was given for others of the church to join in the task. A sense of victory prevailed as every member of the local congregation who was present responded and went forward for the prayer of dedication!"

**Good Training Ground**  
As it instructed the Navajo church in enlarging and strengthening its Sunday School the campaign served as training ground for pastors and other representatives from various Baptist churches in the area. They camped in tents outside the church building and, despite the heat of the Mexican October, responded to the rigorous schedule (from 8:45 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. With only brief breaks for meals and rest) with increasing interest. Mrs. Eudaly reports, learning the basic concepts and principles of such a project and making plans to apply them to their local situations.

One family, father, mother, and four children, arrived in the midst of the evening session on the second day. "We

THE NEW BAPTIST publication building in Bandung, Indonesia, shown at left.

## Sunday Reports

### Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance Additions To The Church

JANUARY 1, 1961	
Biloxi, Emmanuel	220
Biloxi, Forrest Ave.	95
Biloxi, First	490
Booneville, First	110
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	137
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	441
Canton, Center Terrace	200
Crystal Springs, First	324
Dixie (Leb.)	201
Greenville, Parkway	234
Greenwood, North	309
Greenwood, Calvary	253
Gulfport, Grace Mem.	292
Gulfport, First	247
Gulfport, Pass Road	156
Hattiesburg, Central	274
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	258
Jackson	147
Alta Woods	681
McDowell Road	237
Southside	309
Highland	209
Broadmoor	662
Van Winkle	235
Daniel Memorial	825
Midway	268
Hillcrest	457
Kosciusko, Parkway	111
Laurel, First	600
McComb	139
Locust Street	179
South	234
Moore Point, East	325
Main	241
Mission	84
Oxford, First	441
Petal, Crestview	111
Pleasure, First	423
Mission	26
Pontotoc, First	374
Purvis, First	297
Tupelo, Harrisburg	181
Tupelo, Spring St.	80
Weir	84
West Point, First	492

wanted to get here on time," explained the mother, "but our six-month-old baby died Friday and we had to bury him Saturday. We could not get here until now."

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